

## Children's Department.

### FROM THE EDITOR.

This time you notice we have a whole page of letters from the children. There are several answers to the question, Which book in the Bible has but one chapter? There are *four* such books. Two of them have been given. Who will find the other two. So many of you have one of these two sentences in your letters; "I will and write," "I will try to write." Which of these two sentences is correct? Who can tell?

From Warsaw, Ind.

I thought I would write my first letter to the EVANGELIST. I am thirteen years of age. I go to church and Sunday-school when ever I can. We have fine junior meetings at the Brethren church and there are about 73 members. A week and two days ago my only little sister died. She first took sick with the measles and then took the lung fever. But now she has gone to meet her dear father and to live with Jesus. I have four brothers. I and my two brothers, Charley and John, joined church this last revival meeting. I will close by asking a question. What book in the Bible has but one chapter? It is the book of Jude.

GEORGE S. BAER.

I thought I would write a letter to the EVANGELIST. I am eleven years old. I go to Sunday-school and church. My teacher's name is Rose Shelley. I have four brothers. I will close for this time.

JOHN GILFORD BAER.

From Pleasant Hill, Ohio.

I will try to write my first letter to the childrens department. I am seven years old and have one sister and one brother. My brother is fourteen years old. My sister and I are twins and go to school every day and like our teacher, her name is Miss Ellie Teeter. We go to Sunday-school at the Brethren church in the forenoon and the M. E. in the afternoon. I will close for this time.

LENA TEETER.

From Hudson, Iowa.

I will try to write another letter. I will answer Walter Keller's question. Lot's wife became a pillar of salt. I will also answer Florence Black's question. The book of Jude has but one chapter. Our school is out now. I spoke a piece on the last day. The title of it was "Tommy's Death-bed." I will close by asking a question, How old was Jesus when he was crucified?

IDA STRAYER.

From North Georgetown, O.

I will write my letter for March. I like to read the children's letters. Easter will soon be here, the day our Lord rose from the dead. He was crucified on the day we call Good Friday, and rose the third day after he was crucified, which is called Easter. We are going to have Easter song service at our church on Easter night. I am going to speak a piece; subject, Our only hope. I will answer Vernie M. Kellers question. What man denied his wife and claimed her to be his sister. Answer: Abraham. I will close by asking a question. How old was Noah when he entered the ark?

MAUD WHITELEATHER.

[It is a little late to publish this letter, but we did not want to throw it into the wastebasket. Maud, you must excuse us for not publishing your letter sooner.

From Burlington, Ind.

As I never see any letters from Burlington I thought I would write one. I am eleven years old. I have two brothers and one sister. My papa and mamma belong to the Brethren church. I go to Sunday-school whenever I can. We had an entertainment on Easter. I had a recitation and I was in a dialogue. I will close by asking a question, Which is the shortest chapter in the Bible?

EDNA EIKENBERRY.

From Sunny Side, Md.

I will write my first letter to the EVANGELIST. I am eleven years old. We have no church or S. S. here at the present time, but we will soon have school. My school teacher's name was Mr. John Gnagey. I liked him very well. I will ask a question, Who was the oldest man?

BLISSIE HAHN.

[Your teacher, is a first cousin of the Editor. Wonder if he knows it. Perhaps you had better tell him. He will remember what a good time we used to have together. Ask him. Ed.]

From Altoona, Pa.

I will write my first letter to the EVANGELIST. I am twelve years old and I go to school every day. I study Geography, Spelling, Arithmetic, Grammar, History and Reading. I am a member of the Brethren church and so is my papa. Brother Spanogle is our pastor. I go to Sunday-school every Sunday that I can. I will close by answering Florence Black's question, What book in the Bible has but one chapter. It is the book of Obadiah.

ANNA NEWBERRY.

From Godfrey, Kans.

I will write another letter to the EVANGELIST. I go to school almost every day. My teacher's name is Mr. McLory. We organized a S. S. and I am going to attend. I have one brother and one sister. We had no church during this month as Brother Hixson was not able to be here. I have been trying to keep house for mamma while she was down to grandpa's. He is very sick and is not expected to get well. I will answer Lillie Troup's question, The ark rested on Mt. Ararat. I will close by asking a question, Who was the oldest man?

LIZZIE SPICER.

(You are a good girl indeed to keep house while mamma is taking care of the sick. Ed.)

From Gravelton, Ind.

I will again write to the EVANGELIST. I have been sick for a long time but I am beginning to get well now. I am all alone this afternoon, as my mother has gone to the S. S. C. E. meeting. I am twelve years old. I will answer a question that I saw in the paper a long time ago. Noah was in the ark one year and ten days. I will now close by asking a question. How many books are there in the bible?

FRANK CLARK.

Frank, your answer is correct. There were only a few of the boys and girls who answered this question correctly, in fact, we believe you are but the third one.—Ed.

### A SHORT SERMON FOR BOYS.

A Swedish boy fell out of the window and was badly hurt, but with compressed lips he kept back the cry of pain. The king, Gustavus Adolphus, who saw him fall, prophesied that the boy would make a man for an emergency. And so he did, for he became the famous Gen. Baur.

A boy used to crush the flowers to get their color; and painted the white side of his father's cottage in Tyrol with all sorts of pictures, which the mountaineers gazed at as wonderful. He became the great artist, Titian.

An old painter watched a little fellow who amused himself making drawings of his pot and brushes, easel and stool, and said: "That boy will beat me one day." So he did, for he was Michael Angelo.

Do you know what these little sermons mean? Why, simply this, that in boyhood and girlhood are shown the traits for good or evil which make the man or woman.

If you have a good impulse, act upon it before it leaves you.